

**Amendments to the Claims:**

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application:

**Listing of Claims:**

1                    Claim 1 (original): A sliding reusable connector for attaching gear to a  
2 base unit, said connector comprising:  
3                    (a)    a main body having a first main body end and a second main body  
4                                end;  
5                    (b)    a main body track portion associated with said first main body end;  
6                    (c)    a main body locking portion associated with said second main body  
7                                end;  
8                    (d)    a slide having a first slide end and a second slide end;  
9                    (e)    longitudinal slide track structure extending substantially between  
10                                said first slide end and said second slide end;  
11                    (f)    slide locking structure associated with said second slide end;  
12                    (g)    said slide track structure slidably interconnected with said main  
13                                body track portion; and  
14                    (h)    said slide locking structure repeatedly lockable and unlockable with  
15                                said main body locking portion.

1                    Claim 2 (original): The connector of claim 1, said main body further  
2 defining at least one secondary connection means.

1                    Claim 3 (original): The connector of claim 2, wherein each said at least  
2 one secondary connection means is an aperture defined in said main body.

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1           Claim 4 (original): The connector of claim 1 having an open position in  
2 which said second slide end is relatively near said first main body end and a closed  
3 position in which said first slide end is relatively near said first main body end and said  
4 second slide end is relatively near said second main body end, said slide track structure  
5 sliding within said main body track portion between said open position and said closed  
6 position.

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1           Claim 5 (original): The connector of claim 1 having an open position in  
2 which said second slide end is relatively near said first main body end, an insertion  
3 opening defined between said main body locking portion and both said second slide end  
4 and said first main body end.

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1           Claim 6 (original): The connector of claim 5, said main body having a  
2 longitudinal main body length and said insertion opening having a longitudinal insertion  
3 opening length, said longitudinal insertion opening length being more than 60% of said  
4 main body length.

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1           Claim 7 (original): The connector of claim 5, wherein said insertion  
2 opening is suitable for allowing a gear attachment mechanism of said gear to be  
3 positioned within and removed from said connector without significant manipulation.

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1           Claim 8 (original): The connector of claim 5, wherein said insertion  
2 opening is suitable for allowing a base unit attachment mechanism of said base unit to  
3 be positioned within and removed from said connector without significant manipulation.

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1           Claim 9 (original): The connector of claim 1 wherein said longitudinal slide  
2 track structure extending substantially between said first slide end and said second slide  
3 end is at least one groove.

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1 Claim 10 (original): The connector of claim 1 wherein said longitudinal  
2 slide track structure extending substantially between said first slide end and said second  
3 slide end is at least one rib.

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1 Claim 11 (original): A sliding reusable connector for attaching gear to a  
2 base unit, said connector comprising:

3 (a) primary connection means comprising:

4 (i) a main body having a main body track portion and a main  
5 body locking portion, said main body track portion separated  
6 from said main body locking portion by a distance;

7 (ii) a slide having slide locking structure and longitudinal slide  
8 track structure, longitudinal slide track structure extending  
9 substantially the length of said slide;

10 (iii) said slide track structure slidably interconnected with said  
11 main body track portion; and

12 (iv) said slide locking structure repeatedly lockable and  
13 unlockable with said main body locking portion; and

14 (b) at least one secondary connection means.  
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1 Claim 12 (original): The connector of claim 11, wherein each said at least  
2 one secondary connection means is an aperture defined in said main body.  
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1 Claim 13 (original): The connector of claim 11 said slide track structure  
2 slidable within said main body track portion between an open position and a closed  
3 position.  
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1 Claim 14 (original): The connector of claim 11, wherein a gear attachment  
2 mechanism of said gear is positionable within said primary connection means.

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1 Claim 15 (original): The connector of claim 11, wherein a base unit  
2 attachment mechanism of said base unit is positionable within said primary connection  
3 means.

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1 Claim 16 (original): The connector of claim 11, wherein a base unit  
2 attachment mechanism of said base unit and a gear attachment mechanism of said  
3 gear are simultaneously positionable within said primary connection means.

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1 Claim 17 (original): A sliding reusable connector for attaching gear to a  
2 base unit, said connector comprising:

- 3 (a) a main body having a first main body end and a second main body  
4 end;  
5 (b) a main body track portion associated with said first main body end;  
6 (c) a main body securing portion associated with said second main  
7 body end;  
8 (d) a slide having a first slide end and a second slide end;  
9 (e) longitudinal slide track structure extending at least partially between  
10 said first slide end and said second slide end;  
11 (f) slide securing structure associated with said second slide end;  
12 (g) said slide track structure slidably interconnected with said main  
13 body track portion; and  
14 (h) said slide locking structure repeatedly securable and unsecurable  
15 with said main body securing portion.

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1 Claim 18 (original): The connector of claim 17, said main body further  
2 defining at least one secondary connection means.  
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1                    Claim 19 (new): The connector of claim 17 having an open position in  
2                    which said second slide end is relatively near said first main body end, an insertion  
3                    opening defined between said main body locking portion and both said second slide end  
4                    and said first main body end.  
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1                    Claim 20 (new): The connector of claim 19, said main body having a  
2                    longitudinal main body length and said insertion opening having a longitudinal insertion  
3                    opening length, said longitudinal insertion opening length being more than 60% of said  
4                    main body length.  
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